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SUBJ: BILL C-58, PARLIAMENTARY CONSIDERATION

REF: OTTAWA 623

1. LAST AMENDMENT TO BILL C-58 DEFEATED IN COMMONS FEB 17
ENDING REPORT STAGE OF BILL. AFTER REQUIRED 24 HOUR NOTICE
PERIOD, BILL WILL BE CONSIDERED AT THIRD READING IN COMMONS.
PARLIAMENTARY SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF THAT DEBATE ON THIRD READING
MAY BE OVER AS EARLY AS AFTERNOON FEB 19, ALTHOUGH SOURCE
CAUTIONED THAT PREDICTION HARDLY CONFIDENT.

2. AFTER THIRD READING IN COMMONS, BILL GOES TO SENATE FOR
FULL RECONSIDERATION WITH THREE READINGS AND POSSIBLY COMMITTEE
HEARINGS. SENATE APPROVAL OF BILL AS IT NOW STANDS APPEARS,
HOWEVER, TO BE LARGELY FOREGONE CONCLUSION.

3. COMMENT: WHATEVER THE LIKELY FUTURE DELAYS IN PARLIAMENT,
IT CLEAR THAT BILL C-58 WILL BE ENACTED AS ORIGINALLY INTO-
DUCED AND, IN ANY CASE, EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION RE-
TROACTIVE TO JAN 1, 1976. LARUE, PRESIDENT OF TIME CANADA LTD.,
HAS TOLD US THAT CANADIAN EDITION (ALREADY OPERATING AT LOSS)

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TION OF 5 TO 6 PAGES WILL EXPIRE. DECISION THEN WILL BE
WHETHER TO PRINT INTERNATIONAL EDITION IN MONTREAL AND VAN-
COUVER (WITH INCREASED SUBSCRIPTION PRICE AND LESS CANADIAN
ADVERTISING) OR SHIP COPIES FROM STATESIDE PRESSES AS DO
NEWSWEEK AND OTHER AMERICAN MAGAZINES NOW. FORMER OPTION
MORE LIKELY.
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